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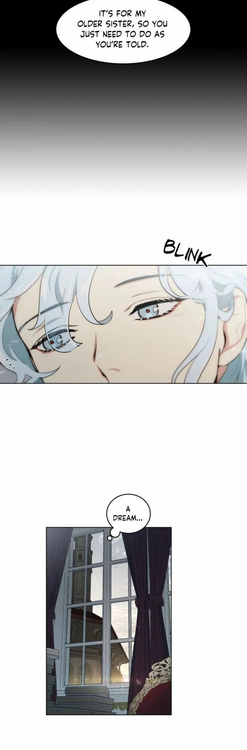
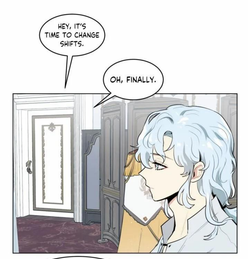


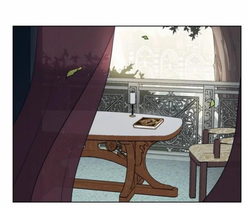
I DIDN'T EXPECT DISOBEYING MY UNCLE'S ORDER TO MARRY TO BE THIS EXHAUSTING...
HE DIDN'T EVEN COME SEE ME AFTER THE BALL.
DID HE FINALLY GIVE UP? OR...

THERE'S NO WAY HE'D GIVE UP THAT EASILY.


HEY, IT'S TIME TO CHANGE SHIFTS.
OH, FINALLY.

I'D RATHER GUARD THE PRISONS UNDERGROUND. STANDING HERE DOING NOTHING LIKE THIS IS EXHAUSTING.
YOU'RE ASKING FOR TOO MUCH.

FLUTTER



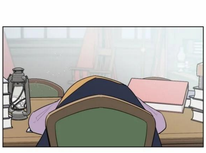
I SHOULD HEAD OUT FOR A WHILE FOR SOME AIR.
JUST FOR A SHORT WHILE.

...I CAME BY SINCE THE LIGHTS HAVE BEEN ON IN THE AUTHOR'S LIBRARY SINCE DAWN, BUT...

SIP

WHAT THE...
WAS SHE WRITING ALL NIGHT?
-HARD WORK IN PROGRESS-
DO NOT ENTER!

CREAK



I KNEW IT.

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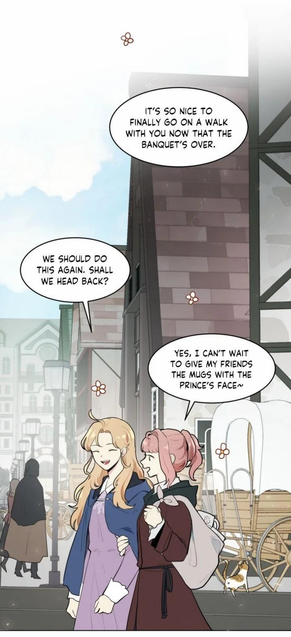
HAH... SHE'LL CATCH A COLD... THEN COMPLAIN ALL DAY...
STEP
(?)

Ms. Librarian, if you see this, please keep it a secret from the prince. I'll be back soon. I don't think he'll let me out at night... Please!!

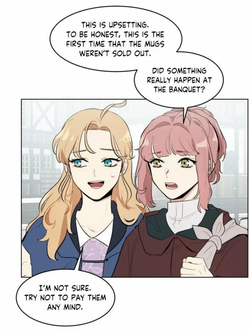

IT'S SO NICE TO FINALLY GO ON A WALK WITH YOU NOW THAT THE BANQUET'S OVER.
WE SHOULD DO THIS AGAIN. SHALL WE HEAD BACK?
YES, I CAN'T WAIT TO GIVE MY FRIENDS THE MUGS WITH THE PRINCE'S FACE~

I HOPE I HAVEN'T BEEN CAUGHT YET...
ANXIOUS

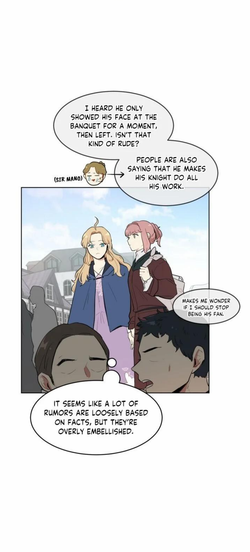
AH, UNNIE! LOOK AT THAT!

WHAT? WHAT'RE YOU STARING AT?!
SCRAM, I SAID!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, MY LADIES?
KYAAH! IT'S THE CROWN PRINCE!!

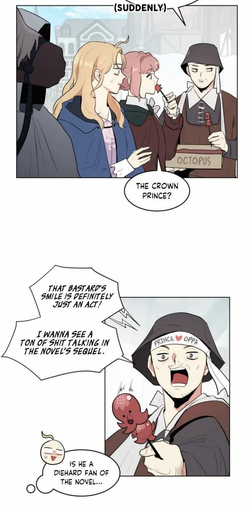
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN PRETTY EMOTIONLESS. HAHA.
OUR PRINCE ISN'T LIKE THAT AT ALL!
DUMBFOUNDED
Real Banquet Show
CLING
TIPS
WHAT IN TARNATION?


THIS IS UPSETTING. TO BE HONEST, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE MUGS WEREN'T SOLD OUT.
DID SOMETHING REALLY HAPPEN AT THE BANQUET?
I'M NOT SURE. TRY NOT TO PAY THEM ANY MIND.

MURMUR


Y'KNOW HOW RUMORS ABOUT THE PRINCE WERE NEVER GREAT, RIGHT? PEOPLE ONLY STARTED TO LIKE HIM CAUSE OF THAT NOVEL.
MURMUR
I'M SURE THERE'S MORE TO THE STORY THOUGH. I TRUST HIM.

I HEARD HE ONLY SHOWED HIS FACE AT THE BANQUET FOR A MOMENT, THEN LEFT. ISN'T THAT KIND OF RUDE?
(SIR MANU)
PEOPLE ARE ALSO SAYING THAT HE MAKES HIS KNIGHT DO ALL HIS WORK.
MAKES ME WONDER IF I SHOULD STOP BEING HIS FAN.
IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF RUMORS ARE LOOSELY BASED ON FACTS, BUT THEY'RE OVERLY EMBELLISHED.


CLIP

I DON'T THINK ANYTHING HAPPENED THAT'S WORTH ALL THIS FUSS...
IT'S ONLY THIS EXAGGERATED CAUSE HE'S A PRINCE.
CLOP
LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO WORK HARD ON THE SEQUEL.

TCH, LOOKS TO ME LIKE THE CROWN PRINCE HAS A PROBLEM.
(SUDDENLY)
OCTOPUS
THE CROWN PRINCE?

THAT BASTARD'S SMILE IS DEFINITELY JUST AN ACT!
I WANNA SEE A TON OF SHIT TALKING IN THE NOVEL'S SEQUEL.
PLACE OF OFFICE
IS HE A DIEHARD FAN OF THE NOVEL...

THE CROWN PRINCE...

...SEEMED LIKE A CARING AND OVERALL GOOD PERSON...

MUMBLE
...I FEEL BAD FOR CAUSING ALL OF THIS.

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE A COUPLE DAYS HAVE ALREADY PASSED SINCE THE BANQUET.

IT FEELS LIKE I JUST HAD A REALLY NICE DREAM.
STEP
WHOA, THOSE ANTENNAS! ISN'T THAT YOU, UNNIE?
?

SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU!
CROWN PRINCE OPPA! PLEASE DANCE WITH ME!
BAM!

HOHO, THEN SHALL WE?
OH NO, YOU CAN'T DANCE WELL AT ALL!
(AWKWARD)
HAHAHA

UNNIE, HOW WAS IT DANCING WITH HIM?

.....
WHEN I DANCED WITH THE PRINCE...

THE LIGHT OF THE FIREFLIES...
WAS MUCH PRETTIER THAN THE LIGHTS OF THE BANQUET HALL.
FIREFLIES?

IT SEEMS THE RUMORS THAT YOU DANCED WITH THE DUKE IN THE GARDEN ARE TRUE.
?!!
YOUR HIGH...!
SHHH.
I CAME OUT IN SECRET.

THAT ASIDE, HOW WAS DANCING WITH THE CROWN PRINCE?

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CLIP

CLOP

I THINK WE'RE SAFE NOW.

I APOLOGIZE FOR CAUSING YOU SO MUCH TROUBLE. EVEN THOUGH YOU CAME OUT IN SECRET, WE...

NO, IT'S ALRIGHT.

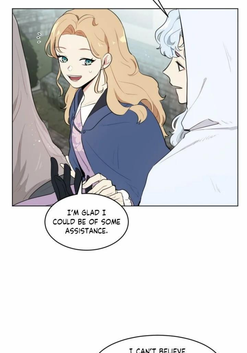
IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOUR FRIEND THAT I WAS ABLE TO ESCAPE, AFTER ALL.
HAHA...
- AWKWARD -

HOW THE HELL DID IT TURN OUT LIKE THIS??
A MOMENT AGO
YOUR HIGHNESS THE CROWN PRINCE?!
WHAA!
CROWD

AHHH, THIS DAMN MOUTH OF MINE! QUICK, GET OUT OF HERE!
IS IT REALLY HIM?
IS THAT ANTENNA THE REAL ANTENNA?
I WAS A BIT FLUSTERED WHEN THE PAPARAZZI CHASED US BY HORSE, BUT...
EXCLUSIVE!

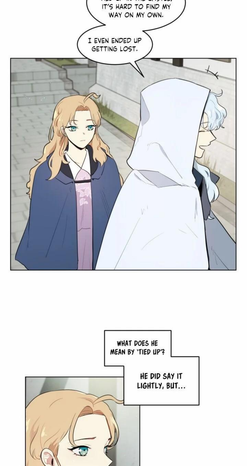
SOMEHOW GOT ON THE HORSE.

I'M THE ONE WHO SHOULD APOLOGIZE. IT'S MY FIRST TIME HERE AND I DIDN'T KNOW THE WAY SO I NEEDED YOUR HELP.


I'M GLAD I COULD BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE.

I CAN'T BELIEVE I MET THE CROWN PRINCE SO EARLY IN THE DAY AT A PLACE LIKE THIS...
I SHOULD WATCH WHAT I SAY AND LEAVE QUICKLY. I'M SCARED I'LL END UP MAKING SOME KIND OF MISTAKE...

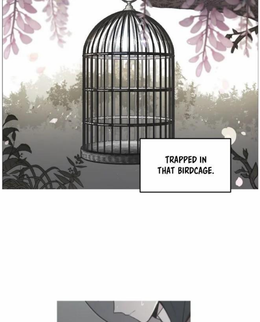
IF YOU FOLLOW THIS PATH, YOU'LL SEE THE INNER WALLS OF THE CASTLE.
IT WAS AN HONOR MEETING YOU AGAIN.
I WAS QUITE LUCKY TO MEET YOU WHEN I WAS LOST ON THE STREETS.

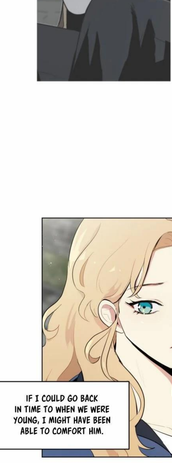

WHY WOULD YOUR HIGHNESS COME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE ALONE?
IT'S HARD FOR ME TO RELAX IN THE PALACE SINCE THERE ARE SO MANY KNIGHTS AROUND.
AND I COULDN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT YOU, MISS SCHOLAR, AFTER YOU LEFT ME IN THE MIDDLE OF A DANCE AT THE BANQUET... SO HERE I AM.
GUILT..
AH, I DID DO THAT...

SINCE I'M ALWAYS TIED UP IN THE CASTLE, IT'S HARD TO FIND MY WAY ON MY OWN.
I EVEN ENDED UP GETTING LOST.

WHAT DOES HE MEAN BY 'TIED UP'?
HE DID SAY IT LIGHTLY, BUT...

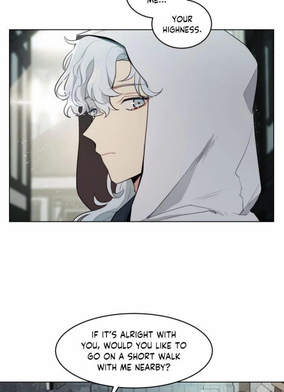
BACK THEN, THE PRINCE WAS ALSO...


TRAPPED IN THAT BIRDCAGE.


AND AS I GOT CLOSER TO THE CAGE, HE WOULD START TREMBLING.

IF I COULD GO BACK IN TIME TO WHEN WE WERE YOUNG, I MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COMFORT HIM.

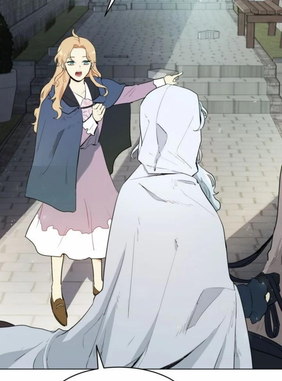
BUT BACK THEN,
I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING...


CLOP

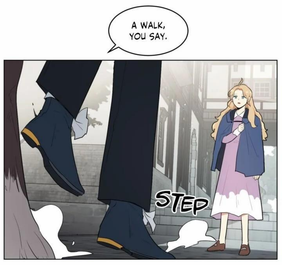
I'VE SPENT MORE TIME OUT HERE THAN I INTENDED. I SHOULD HEAD BACK.

EXCUSE ME...
YOUR HIGHNESS.

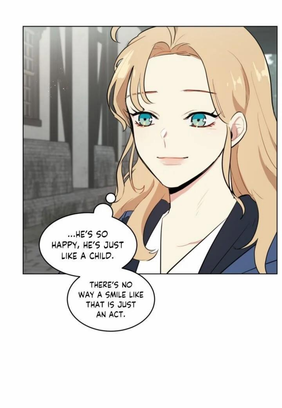
IF IT'S ALRIGHT WITH YOU, WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO ON A SHORT WALK WITH ME NEARBY?


IT JUST FELT LIKE YOU CAME OUTSIDE DUE TO THE CASTLE BEING STIFLING.

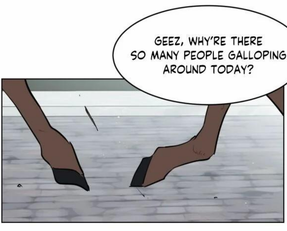
OH NO, I SPOKE AS IF I WAS TALKING TO PRINCE RAYBURN JUST NOW.
WHAT'S WORSE, HE'S A MEMBER OF THE SCHWANDELL FAMILY...
I- I'M SORRY IF I OFFENDED YOU...


A WALK, YOU SAY.
STEP

HAHA... THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER GOTTEN SUCH AN OFFER!
SMILE
THEN, COULD I ASK YOU TO SHOW ME AROUND TOWN?


...HE'S SO HAPPY, HE'S JUST LIKE A CHILD.
THERE'S NO WAY A SMILE LIKE THAT IS JUST AN ACT.

CLIP CLOP



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